

Health Science and Medical Technology

Job Title: X-Ray Technician

Career Pathway: Patient Care

Industry Sector: Health Science and Medical Technology

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X-Ray Technology/1

Credits: 30

Hours: 360

Course Description:

This competency-based course is the first in a sequence of three designed for x-ray technology. It provides students with projectbased experiences according to the California State certification examination requirements for the limited category of extremities and torsoskeleton. Didactic instruction includes an orientation, general safety principles, communication skills, critical thinking skills, and resource management. Emphasis is placed on medical ethics, medical terminology, part one of anatomy and physiology including extremity and torsoskeletal pathologies, part one of film critique, image receptor system, radiographic positioning, clinical assistant procedures, and the principles of exposure and image quality. Students are also provided with clinical training in health care facilities supervised by the instructor and staff personnel to perform as safe, competent, and professional X-Ray Technicians. The passing of the state examination allows graduates to work as XRay Technicians under a supervising licentiate. The competencies in this course are aligned with the California High School Academic Content Standards and the California Career Technical Education Model Curriculum Standards.

Prerequisites:

Enrollment requires at least 18 years of age, a high school diploma or high school equivalency certificate, employment-level competency in reading and math, and participation in a qualifying interview; upon acceptance present a satisfactory physical examination and current American Heart Association (AHA) or Basic Life Support (BLS) for Healthcare Providers Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certificate and First Aid certificate **PRIOR TO CLINICAL ROTATION**.

NOTE: For Perkins purposes this course has been designated as an **introductory** course

his course cannot be repeated once a student receives a Certificate of Completion.

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COURSE OUTLINE COMPETENCY-BASED COMPONENTS

A course outline reflects the essential intent and content of the course described. Acceptable course outlines have six components. (Education Code Section 52506). Course outlines for all apportionment classes, including those in jails, state hospitals, and convalescent hospitals, contain the six required elements:

(EC 52504; 5CCR 10508 [b]; Adult Education Handbook for California [1977], Section 100)

COURSE OUTLINE COMPONENTS

GOALS AND PURPOSES

The educational goals or purposes of every course are clearly stated and the class periods are devoted to instruction. The course should be broad enough in scope and should have sufficient educational worth to justify the expenditure of public funds.

The goals and purpose of a course are stated in the COURSE DESCRIPTION. Course descriptions state the major emphasis and content of a course, and are written to be understandable by a prospective student.

PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES OR COMPETENCIES

Objectives should be delineated and described in terms of measurable results for the student and include the possible ways in which the objectives contribute to the student's acquisition of skills and competencies.

Performance Objectives are sequentially listed in the COMPETENCY-BASED COMPONENTS section of the course outline. Competency Areas are units of instruction based on related competencies. Competency Statements are competency area goals that together define the framework and purpose of a course. Competencies fall on a continuum between goals and performance objectives and denote the outcome of instruction.

Competency-based instruction tells a student before instruction what skills or knowledge they will demonstrate after instruction. Competency-based education provides instruction which enables each student to attain individual goals as measured against pre-stated standards.

Competency-based instruction provides immediate and continual repetition and In competency-based education the curriculum, instruction, and assessment share common characteristics based on clearly stated competencies. Curriculum, instruction and assessment in competency-based education are: explicit, known, agreed upon, integrated, performance oriented, and adaptive.

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COURSE OUTLINE COMPETENCY-BASED COMPONENTS (continued)

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INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES	p. 26
Instructional techniques or methods could include laboratory techniques, lecture method, small-group discussion, grouping plans, and other strategies used in the classroom.	
Instructional strategies for this course are listed in the TEACHING STRATEGIES AND EVALUATION section of the course outline. Instructional strategies and activities for a course should be selected so that the overall teaching approach takes into account the instructional standards of a particular program, i.e., English as a Second Language, Programs for Adults with Disabilities.	
UNITS OF STUDY, WITH APPROXIMATE HOURS ALLOTTED FOR EACH UNIT	Cover
The approximate time devoted to each instructional unit within the course, as well as the total hours for the course, is indicated. The time in class is consistent with the needs of the student, and the length of the class should be that it ensures the student will learn at an optimum level.	pp. 7-23
Units of study, with approximate hours allotted for each unit are listed in the COMPETENCY AREA STATEMENT(S) of the course outline. The total hours of the course, including work-based learning hours (community classroom and cooperative vocational education) is listed on the cover of every CBE course outline. Each Competency Area listed within a CBE outline is assigned hours of instruction per unit.	
EVALUATION PROCEDURES	pp. 26-27
The evaluation describes measurable evaluation criteria clearly within the reach of the student. The	

The evaluation describes measurable evaluation criteria clearly within the reach of the student. The evaluation indicates anticipated improvement in performances as well as anticipated skills and competencies to be achieved.

Evaluation procedures are detailed in the TEACHING STRATEGIES AND EVALUATION section of the course outline. Instructors monitor students' progress on a continuing basis, assessing students on attainment of objectives identified in the course outline through a variety of formal and informal tests (applied performance procedures, observations, and simulations), paper and pencil exams, and standardized tests.

REPETITION POLICY THAT PREVENTS PERPETUATION OF STUDENT ENROLLMENT

After a student has completed all the objectives of the course, he or she should not be allowed to reenroll in the course. There is, therefore, a need for a statement about the conditions for possible repetition of a course to prevent perpetuation of students in a particular program for an indefinite period of time.

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CALIFORNIA CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION MODEL CURRICULUM STANDARDS Health Science and Medical Technology Industry Sector Knowledge and Performance Anchor Standards

1.0 Academics

Analyze and apply appropriate academic standards required for successful industry sector pathway completion leading to postsecondary education and employment. Refer to the Health Science and Medical Technology academic alignment matrix for identification of standards.

2.0 Communications

Acquire and accurately use Health Science and Medical Technology sector terminology and protocols at the career and college readiness level for communicating effectively in oral, written, and multimedia formats.

3.0 Career Planning and Management

Integrate multiple sources of career information from diverse formats to make informed career decisions, solve problems, and manage personal career plans.

4.0 Technology

Use existing and emerging technology to investigate, research, and produce products and services, including new information, as required in the Health Science and Medical Technology sector workplace environment.

5.0 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking

Conduct short, as well as more sustained, research to create alternative solutions to answer a question or solve a problem unique to the Health Science and Medical Technology sector using critical and creative thinking, logical reasoning, analysis, inquiry, and problem-solving techniques.

6.0 Health and Safety

Demonstrate health and safety procedures, regulations, and personal health practices and determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and domain-specific words and phrases as related to the Health Science and Medical Technology sector workplace environment.

7.0 Responsibility and Flexibility

Initiate, and participate in, a range of collaborations demonstrating behaviors that reflect personal and professional responsibility, flexibility, and respect in the Health Science and Medical Technology sector workplace environment and community settings.

8.0 Ethics and Legal Responsibilities

Practice professional, ethical, and legal behavior, responding thoughtfully to diverse perspectives and resolving contradictions when possible, consistent with applicable laws, regulations, and organizational norms.

9.0 Leadership and Teamwork

Work with peers to promote divergent and creative perspectives, effective leadership, group dynamics, team and individual decision making, benefits of workforce diversity, and conflict resolution as practiced in the Cal-HOSA career technical student organization.

10.0 Technical Knowledge and Skills

Apply essential technical knowledge and skills common to all pathways in the Health Science and Medical Technology sector, following procedures when carrying out experiments or performing technical tasks.

11.0 Demonstration and Application

Demonstrate and apply the knowledge and skills contained in the Health Science and Medical Technology anchor standards, pathway standards, and performance indicators in classroom, laboratory, and workplace settings and through the Cal-HOSA career technical student organization.

Health Science and Medical Technology Pathway Standards

B. Patient Care Pathway

The standards for the Patient Care pathway apply to occupations or functions involved in the prevention, treatment, and management of illness and the preservation of mental and physical well-being through the services offered by the medical and allied health professions. The standards specify the knowledge and skills needed by professional-and technical personnel pursuing careers in this pathway.

Sample occupations associated with this pathway:

- Kinesiotherapist
- Nurse Anesthetist
- Respiratory Therapist
- Radiologic Technician
- Dental Hygienist
- B1.0 Recognize the integrated systems approach to health care delivery services: prevention, diagnosis, pathology, and treatment
- B2.0 Understand the basic structure and function of the human body and relate normal function to common disorders.
- B3.0 Know how to apply mathematical computations used in health care delivery system.
- B4.0 Recognize and practice components of an intake assessment relevant to patient care.
- B5.0 Know the definition, spelling, pronunciation, and use of appropriate terminology in the health care setting.
- B6.0 Communicate procedures and goals to patients using various communication strategies to respond to questions and concerns.
- B7.0 Apply observation techniques to detect changes in the health status of patients.
- B8.0 Demonstrate the principles of body mechanics as they apply to the positioning, transferring, and transporting of patients.
- B9.0 Implement wellness strategies for the prevention of injury and disease behaviors that prevent injury and illness
- B10.0 Comply with protocols and preventative health practices necessary to maintain a safe
- B11.0 Comply with hazardous waste disposal policies and procedures, including documentation, to ensure that regulated waste is handled, packaged, stored, and disposed of in accordance with federal, state, and local regulations.
- B12.0 Adhere to the roles and responsibilities, within the scope of practice, that contribute to the design and implementation of treatment planning
- B13.0 Research factors that define cultural differences between and among different ethnic, racial, and cultural groups and special populations.

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Competency-Based Education

COMPETENCY-BASED COMPONENTS for the X-Ray Technology/1 Course

COMPETENCY AREAS AND STATEMENTS	MINIMAL COMPETENCIES	STANDARDS
A. ORIENTATION AND GENERAL SAFETY PRINCIPLES Understand, apply, and evaluate classroom and workplace policies and procedures used in accordance with federal, state, and local safety and environmental regulations.	 Describe the scope and purpose of the course. Describe the overall course content as a part of the Multiple Pathways program. Describe classroom, office, and laboratory policies and procedures. Describe the different occupations in the Health Science and Medical Technology Industry Sector which have an impact on the role of x-ray technician. Describe the opportunities available for promoting gender equity and the representation of non-traditional populations in the x-ray technology field. Describe the differences in job descriptions between an x-ray technician and a radiologic technologist. Describe the California Department of Public Health-Radiologic Health Branch (CDPH-RHB) policies pertaining to the following: a. x-ray technology training/educational programs b. certification requirements certification requirements entry into specialty programs Describe the primary mission of the American Society of Radiologic Technologist (ASRT). Identify and describe the role of the following in radiography: a. Radiologic Technologist (RT) b. Certified Radiologic Technologist (CRT) X-ray Technician (XT) Describe the impact of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) legislation on the Health Science and Medical Terminology Industry Sector practices. Describe the impact of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) legislation on the Health Science and Medical Terminology Industry Sector practices. Describe the impact of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) legislation on the Health Science and Medical Terminology Industry Sector practices. Describe the impact of Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) legislation on the Health Science and Medical Terminology Industry Sector practices. Describe classroom and workplace first aid procedures, CPR, and emergency procedures according to American Red Cross (ARC) standard	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8 Career Planning and Management: 3.1, 3.2, 3.4, 3.6 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking: 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 54, 5.6 Health and Safety: 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.6, 6.8 Responsibility and Flexibility: 7.2, 7.3, 7.7, 7.8 Ethics and Legal Responsibilities: 8.3, 8.4, 8.5 Leadership and Teamwork: 9.5, 9.6 CTE Pathway: B1.1, B1.2, B1.3, B1.4, B4.1, B4.2, B4.3, B4.4, B4.5, B5.2, B5.3, B5.4, B5.5, B5.6, B5.7, B6.1, B6.2, B6.3, B6.4, B6.5, B6.6,

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(Theory: 3 hours)	 c. role of the Division of Workers' Compensation (DWC) d. adherence to Universal Precautions and isolation procedures e. following hand washing techniques f. donning and removing clean gloves g. provision of eye wash station h. dress requirements for x-ray technicians i. following safe radiography practices j. knowledge of Category I, II, and III of occupational exposures k. knowledge of post-exposure incident management 15. Pass the safety test with 100% accuracy. 	B8.1, B8.2, B8.3, B8.4, B8.5, B9.1, B9.2, B9.3, B9.4, B9.5, B9.6, B9.7, B10.1, B10.2, B10.3, B10.4, B10.5, B10.6, B10.7, B11.3, B12.1, B12.2, B12.3, B12.4, B13.1, B13.2, B13.3, B13.4, B13.5, B13.6
B. COMMUNICATION SKILLS Understand and apply communication techniques required in dental offices.	 Define communication. Describe the following stages of the communication process: a. sending/source i. reason for sending the message ii. content of the message b. message c. encoding i. avoid cultural issues ii. eliminate mistaken assumptions iii. fill in missing information d. channel i. face-to-face meetings ii. telephone and videoconferencing iii. written channels including letters, emails, memos and reports e. decoding - the time to read a message carefully or listen actively to it f. receiving g. feedback - verbal and nonverbal reactions to the communicated message h. context i. surrounding environment ii. broader culture (corporate culture, international cultures, etc.) Describe and demonstrate the following techniques to remove barriers in communication: 	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 7, 8 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8 Responsibility and Flexibility: 7.3, 7.4, 7.7, 7.8 CTE Pathway: B6.1, B6.2, B6.3, B6.4, B6.5, B6.6
(Theory: 3 hours)	 a. using clear verbal and body language to avoid confusion b. being mindful of the demands on other people's time c. conversing and delivering the message to people of different backgrounds and cultures 4. Demonstrate the following: a. medical history interview, using positive communication techniques b. patient greetings c. effective communication with peers and patients 	

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C. CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS Understand, apply, and evaluate principles and practices used to promote critical thinking skills for students.	 Identify and describe the steps and procedures involved in defining and clarifying issues or problems. Describe the importance of the following attributes in judging information related to problem-solving: consistency logic unbiased unemotional credibility Describe the importance of determining the adequacy of information to justify a conclusion and to predict probable consequences. Describe and demonstrate the following affective techniques used to sharpen student critical thinking skills: thinking independently developing insight into egocentricity or socio-centricity exploring thoughts underlying feelings and feelings underlying thoughts edveloping intellectual humility and suspending judgment developing intellectual porseverance developing intellectual good faith or integrity developing intellectual good faith or integrity developing confidence in reason Describe the following macro-cognitive techniques used to sharpen student critical thinking skills: establishing/maintaining a record protection system comparing analogous situations: transferring insights to new contexts developing one's perspective: creating or exploring beliefs, arguments, or theories clarifying issues, conclusions, or beliefs clarifying dee riteria for evaluation: clarifying values and standards evaluating the credibility of sources of information questioning deeply: raising and pursuing root or significant questions analyzing or evaluating arguments, interpretations, b	Career Ready Practice: 2, 5, 8, 10 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking: 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.6 Responsibility and Flexibility: 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.7, 7.8 Ethics and Legal Responsibilities: 8.1, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.7 CTE Pathway: B5.1, B5.2, B5.3, B5.4, B5.5, B6.1, B6.2, B6.3, B6.4, B6.5, B6.6

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(Theory: 3 hours)	 q. practicing Socratic discussion: clarifying and questioning beliefs, theories, or perspectives r. reasoning dialogically: comparing perspectives, interpretations, or theories s. reasoning dialectically: evaluating perspectives, interpretations, or theories 6. Describe and demonstrate the following bookkeeping and collection techniques: a. comparing and contrasting ideals with actual practice b. thinking precisely about thinking: using critical vocabulary c. noting significant similarities and differences d. examining or evaluating assumptions e. distinguishing relevant from irrelevant facts f. making plausible inferences, predictions, or interpretations g. evaluating evidence and alleged facts h. recognizing contradictions i. exploring implications and consequences 	
D. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT Understand the basic principles and procedures of resource management in X-ray facilities	 Define the following: resources management sustainability Define the following: intraoral tasks direct supervision indirect supervision List specific examples of effective management of the following resources in dental assisting: time materials personnel Define the following: profitability sustainability an environmentally responsible way.	Career Ready Practice: 2, 5, 12 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking: 5.1, 5.3, 5.4, 5.6 Health and Safety: 6.2, 6.3, 6.7, 6.8 Responsibility and Flexibility: 7.2 CTE Pathway: B1.1, B6.6, B7.1, B11.2, B11.3, B12.1, B12.2,
(Theory: 1 hour)		B12.1, B12.2, B12.3

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E. MEDICAL ETHICS Understand, apply, and evaluate the policies and procedures used to ensure professional ethics, patient confidentiality, and compliance to radiologic laws and regulations.	 Define the following: a. ethics b. compliance c. Health Information Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) d. Patient's Bill of Rights e. medical necessity f. professional confidentiality g. professional liability h. professional negligence/carelessness i. malpractice Describe the following: a. HIPAA confidentiality requirements b. Patient's Bill of Rights provisions c. role of federal, state and private healthcare carriers and agencies in assuring compliance d. code of ethics for x-ray technicians e. quality care and compliance from the patient's perspective f. optimum patient care and compliance from an x-ray technician's perspective g. legal implications of professional liability, malpractice, professional negligence/ carelessness and other legal doctrines applicable to professional practice h. economic impact of malpractice on the society 	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 7, 8, 12 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8 Responsibility and Flexibility: 7.2, 7.3, 7.7 Ethics and Legal Responsibilities: 8.1, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5, 8.7 CTE Pathway: B4.4, B4.5, B5.1, B5.2, B5.3, B5.4, B5.5, B5.6, B5.7, B6.1, B6.2, B6.3, B6.4, B6.5, B6.6, B7.3, B7.4, B9.6, B12.1, B12.2, B12.3, B12.4
F. MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY Understand, apply, and evaluate medical and radiologic terms.	 Define the following: a. root words b. prefixes c. suffixes Describe the following: a. origin of common medical terms b. pronunciation rules for medical terms b. pronunciation rules for medical terms c. spelling rules for medical terms d. pluralization rules for medical terms Describe and demonstrate the following: a. spelling, meaning, and pronunciation of at least 25 root words b. spelling, meaning, and pronunciation of at least 20 prefixes c. written combination of at least 5 root words and 10 prefixes d. written combination of at least 5 root words and 10 suffixes 	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8 CTE Pathway: B4.4, B4.5, B5.1, B5.2, B5.3, B5.4, B5.5, B5.6, B5.7

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	 e. written combination of at least 5 root words, 10 prefixes, and 10 suffixes f. pronunciation and definition of all the examples in c, d, and e 	<u> </u>
	4. Pass an examination on spelling, defining, and analyzing medical terms using roots, prefixes, and suffixes.	
	 Define the following abbreviations and symbols commonly used in radiography: 	
	a. lt b. r/o c. fx	
	d. P/3 e. pt.	
	f. c/o6. Define and demonstrate the following body/part positioning terms:	
	a. supine b. prone c. lateral	
	 d. oblique 7. Define and demonstrate radiographic positioning terms, including: a. right anterior obligue (BAO) 	
	 a. right anterior oblique (RAO) b. left anterior oblique (LAO) c. right posterior oblique (RPO) 	
	 d. left posterior oblique (LPO) 8. Define and locate body/part relationship terms, including: a. anterior vs. posterior b. inferior vs. superior 	
	 c. distal vs. proximal 9. Define and demonstrate the body/part movement terms, including: 	
	a. flexion vs. extensionb. supination v. pronation	
	 c. adduction vs. abduction 10. Describe the similarities and differences between the following terms: a. position 	
	b. projection c. view	
eory: 10 hours)	 Critique orders, requests, and diagnostic reports. Translate medical terms, abbreviations, and symbols into common language from a medical report. 	
ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY I	1. Define the following:	Career Ready
	a. cell	Practice:
Understand, apply, and evaluate the organs of the	b. tissue c. organs	1, 2
body systems and the	d. systems	

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extremities and torsoskeleton from a radiologic perspective and function.	 e. planes of the body f. anatomy g. physiology h. pathology 2. Identify and describe the following: a. role and parts of a cell b. relationship between cells, tissues, organs, and systems c. differences between anatomy, physiology, and pathology d. three planes and directions of the body e. main body cavities & quadrants f. main organs 3. Describe and demonstrate the following: a. labeling a diagram of the main body cavities b. identifying the major systems of the human body and name associated organs for each system 4. Define the following: a. bone marrow b. ossification c. facet d. tuberosity e. process f. spine g. crest h. foramen i. meatus j. sinus k. fossa l. suture 5. Identify and describe the following: a. functions of the skeletal system b. composition of the bone c. differences between red and yellow marrow d. ossification process e. primary and secondary bone formation centers f. divisions of the skeletal system g. casification of bones in each division h. classification of bones i. examples of bones in each division h. classification of bones i. examples of bones in each division h. classification of bones i. examples of bones in each division h. classification of bones i. examples of bones in each division h. classification of bones in each division h. cl	CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8 CTE Pathway: B2.1, B2.2, B2.3, B2.4, B5.1, B5.2, B5.3, B5.4, B5.5, B5.6, B5.7 S5.6, B5.7
	 p. five pathologies associated with the extremities and torsoskeleton 	<u> </u>

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	 q. location & classification of the bones that make up the shoulder girdle and the upper extremities r. location & classification of the bones that make up the pelvic girdle and the lower extremities 6. Identify and describe the following: a. flexion b. extension c. abduction d. adduction e. rotation f. supination g. pronation h. inversion 7. Identify and describe the following: a. differences between voluntary and involuntary muscles b. functions of muscles c. ways muscles are attached to the bones 8. Describe and demonstrate the following: a. labeling the parts of a bone on a diagram of a long bone b. labeling the parts of a bone on a diagram of a long bone b. labeling the parts of a bone on a diagram of a long bone b. labeling the parts of a bone on a diagram of a long bone b. labeling the parts of a bone on a diagram of a long bone b. labeling the parts of a bone on a diagram of a long bone b. labeling the parts of a bone on a diagram of a long bone b. labeling the parts of a bone on a diagram of a long bone b. labeling the primary and secondary bone formation centers c. differentiating the female pelvis from the male pelvis f. labeling the bones that make up the shoulder girdle and the upper extremities g. labeling the bones that make up the pelvic girdle and the lower extremities h. labeling the class and movement type for the points of the pelvis i. determining the age of the patient from vrist, knee, and or pelvic radiographs k. five major movements performed by muscles l. locating the following anatomic structures and landmarks on drawings, dry skeleton, and radiographs: i. upper limb and pelvic girdle 	
(Theory: 30 hours)	ii. lower limb and pelvic girdle	
 FILM CRITQUE I Understand, apply, and evaluate the factors that affect radiographic quality, and the inter-relationship between 	 Define the following: radiographic detail image sharpness radiographic density contrast short-scale contrast image long-scale contrast image 	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 5, 7, 10

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them.	 g. radiographic distortion h. collimation Identify and describe: a. role of the radiographer in image analysis b. elements of a diagnostic image c. conditions that must be present in a radiographic image that would indicate acceptable visibility of image details d. controlling factors for radiographic density and contrast e. image quality factors of a radiograph f. geometric factors that influence image sharpness g. ways of controlling involuntary and voluntary motion h. parameters for evaluating visibility of detail on the image i. controlling factors for radiographic distortions j. criteria for evaluating radiographic distortions 3. Describe and demonstrate: a. determining that the adequate level of penetration has been applied to produce the desired level of contrast b. techniques for adequate density, contrast, recorded detail and acceptable limits of distortion of a radiographic image c. identifying short scale contrast and long scale contrast images d. evaluating image distortion 4. Identify and describe the following: a. criteria for evaluating radiographs of the extremities for positioning accuracy and overall image quality b. importance of collimation, anatomic side markers, and proper radiograph identification c. general criteria for repeating a radiograph d. elements of a diagnostic image as they relate to film critique e. differences between technical factor problems, procedural problems, and equipment malfunctions that affect image quality g. impact of patient preparation on the resulting radiographic image h. modifications of procedures for atypical or impaired patients to better demonstrate the anatomic area of interest 5. Describe and demonstrate the following: a. functions of the skeletal system b. comp	CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking: 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6 Responsibility and Flexibility: 7.2, 7.3, 7.4, 7.5, 7.7 Technical Knowledge and Skills: 10.1, 10.2 CTE Pathway: B2.1, B3.1, B4.5, B5.1, B5.6, B6.1, B6.2, B6.3, B6.4, B6.5, B6.6, B7.1, B8.4, B9.1, B9.3, B9.6

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(Theory: 15 hours)	 f. discriminating acceptable radiographs from the unacceptable ones based on the following criteria: i. exposure factors ii. motion iii. collimation iv. positioning errors 	
I. IMAGE RECEPTOR SYSTEM Understand, apply, and evaluate the principles of film processing.	 Define the following: a. components of the image receptor system b. purpose of intensifying screens c. classifications of intensifying screens d. screen characteristics that affect screen speed and resolution applications of intensifying screens f. safelight illumination appropriate for specific image receptor systems g. components of a typical radiographic cassette and explain the purpose of each h. type of phosphor commonly used for intensifying screens and describe their spectral emission characteristics i. relationships between phosphor size, technical factors, patient dose, and radiographic details j. importance of good film/screen contact k. causes of poor film/screen contact t. causes of poor film/screen contact d. causes of poor film storage and handling ninherent characteristics of film response production of the latent image proper radiographic identification Describe and demonstrate: a. employing a quality control program for intensifying screens b. handling and cleaning techniques for cassettes and screens c. assessing the quality of film/screen contact in three samples d. drawing the layers of radiographic film/screen and explaining the content and purpose of each Darkroom and Film Processing 3. Identify and describe the following: a. features and purpose of approved equipment found in an x-ray darkroom b. ideal layout of a darkroom c. possible causes of darkroom fog 	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 5, 10 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking: 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.6 CTE Pathway: B3.1, B3.2, B5.1, B5.6, B5.7, B9.1, B9.3, B9.6, B11.2, B11.3, B12.2

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(Theory: 10 hours, Lab: 10 hours)	 e. chemical components of manual processing solutions and their individual function f. chemical components of automatic processing solutions and their individual function g. purposes of replenishment in any film processing system h. steps taken daily for processor startup or shutdown i. common radiographic artifacts, their cause, how to avoid them j. possible causes and health implications of "darkroom chemical sensitivity" k. Q.A. relative to darkroom and processing l. sensitometry as it applies to radiography m. function of densitometer and sensitometer 4. Describe and demonstrate the following: a. testing techniques for the safety of safelights b. film handling techniques c. manual film processing techniques, their purposes, and time required d. feeding techniques for various film sizes into the film processor e. processing a film with an automatic processor f. using equipment for processor quality control evaluations g. plotting the results of an evaluation on a typical graph h. experiments that illustrate the use of the stepwedge, densitometer, sensitometer, and darkroom Q.A. 	
J. RADIOGRAPHIC POSITIONING I Understand, apply, and evaluate the principles of film processing.	 Define the following: a. components of the image receptor system b. purpose of intensifying screens c. classifications of intensifying screens d. screen characteristics that affect screen speed and resolution e. applications of intensifying screens f. safelight illumination appropriate for specific image receptor systems g. radiologic positioning h. anatomic position i. body planes j. radiographic view Identify and describe the following: a. general principles of positioning b. patient care considerations relevant to positioning c. primary principles of radiation protection, including the "ten day rule" d. methods of reducing patient radiation exposure e. special considerations necessary when performing radiographic procedures on an infant or a child f. special considerations necessary when performing radiographic procedures on a geriatric patient 	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 5, 10 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.7, 2.8 Problem Solving and Critical Thinking: 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.6 CTE Pathway: B2.1, B3.1, B5.1, B5.2, B5.3, B5.4, B5.5, B5.6, B5.7, B8.2, B8.3, B9.1

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	 g. types of upper and lower extremity fractures h. immobilization devices for upper and lower extremity fractures i. positioning for upper and lower extremity fractures j. body planes based on given diagrams 3. Define the following: a. extremities b. torsoskeleton 4. Define the following: 	
	 a. upper limb and shoulder girdle b. lower limb and pelvic girdle 5. List and identify the central ray location with angulation specifics, cassette size and orientation, and the extent of the field necessary for both the basic and special projections of the following: a. upper limb and shoulder girdle 	
	 b. lower limb and pelvic girdle 6. Identify and describe the technical factors required to produce an acceptable radiograph for basic and special projections involving the: a. upper limb and shoulder girdle b. lower limb and pelvic girdle 	
	 7. Identify and describe the patient instructions for basic and special projections involving the: a. upper limb and shoulder girdle b. lower limb and pelvic girdle 	
	 8. Describe and demonstrate the following: a. extremities b. torsoskeleton c. positioning the basic and special projections for each part of the upper limb and the shoulder girdle on phantom and human models d. positioning the basic and special projections for each part of the lower limb and the pelvic girdle on phantom and human models e. identifying and using the appropriate gonad f. taking the basic projections for an extremity in a cast and identifying the approximate exposure conversion guidelines g. making the technical adjustments needed for a fiberglass cast h. making the technical adjustments needed for a plaster cast i. evaluating positioning and technical factors based on given radiographs j. making procedural modifications for atypical or impaired patients to better demonstrate the anatomic area of 	
(Theory: 50 hours)	interest k. upper limb and shoulder girdle image analysis l. lower limb and pelvic girdle image analysis	

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K. CLINICAL ASSISTANT PROCEDURES I Understand, apply, and evaluate the basic clinical procedures necessary to assist in the health care facility and to maintain patient safety.	 Define the following: a. common vital signs and their role in assessing patient condition i. temperature ii. pulse iii. respiration iv. blood pressure b. normal vital signs for adults and children c. taking and recording vital signs techniques d. responding to emergencies e. handling trauma patients Describe and demonstrate the following techniques: a. assessing patients b. assisting patients c. collecting patient information prior to examination d. completing a general physical form f. administering screening tests for auditory and visual acuity g. administering emergencies i. handling medical emergencies i. handling and disposal of hazardous materials j. hand washing k. cleaning/sterilizing technique measuring client's vital signs i. taking temperature ii. counting radial pulse and respiration rate iii. taking blood pressure iv. identifying normal temperature values for the oral and rectal routes of measurement v. identifying the normal values for blood pressure for males and females 	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 5, 6 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8 Health and Safety: 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.6, 6.8 Leadership and Teamwork: 9.2 Technical Knowledge and Skills: 10.5 CTE Pathway: B2.1, B2.4, B5.1, B5.2, B5.3, B5.4, B5.5, B5.6, B5.7, B6.1, B6.2, B6.3, B6.4, B6.5, B6.6, B8.2, B10.1, B10.2, B10.3, B10.4, B10.5, B10.6, B10.7
L. PRINCIPLES OF EXPOSURE AND IMAGE QUALITY I Understand, apply, and evaluate the techniques for radiographic calculations and exposure to produce quality radiographs.	 Define the following: a. milliampere (mA) b. source to image distance (SID) c. milliampere second (mAs) d. exposure time e. reciprocity law f. contrast i. high ii. low iii. optimum iv. short-scale vs. long-scale 	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 4, 5, 11 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 7.3, 11.1

 2. radiographic density identify and describe the following: a. prime factors of exposure B. reciprocity law C. radiographic effect caused by changes in each of the four prime factors of exposure B. S. B. S. B. S. A. B. S. A. B. S. B. S. A. B. S. B.

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	 g. radiation absorption h. heel effect i. scattered radiation 8. Describe the following: a. differences between magnification and shape distortion b. film and screen factors that influence radiographic definition c. geometric factors that affect radiographic definition d. effects of magnification on radiographic definition 	
	 e. recorded image f. effect of pathology on radiation absorption g. pathologic conditions that result in increased attenuation of the x-ray beam h. pathologic conditions that result in decreased attenuation of the x-ray beam 	
	 of the x-ray beam 9. Describe the following: a. methods for minimizing motion blur on radiographs b. assessing radiographs for optimum quality c. reading and using an x-ray technique chart d. creating an x-ray technique chart e. measuring a body part using x-ray calipers and calculating the kVp, based on measurements f. distinguishing fixed kVp technique charts from variable kVp technique charts g. determining the value of an optimum kVp h. selecting an appropriate mA, time, and kVp for a given set of circumstances i. taking appropriate steps when technique charts fail to provide an appropriate exposure j. calculating exposure adjustments for changes in patient/part size k. estimating the technique change required when radiographs are too dark or too light l. suggesting appropriate technique changes for lengthening or shortening the scale of contrast m. calculating technique changes required when using a grid 	
(Theory: 15 hours, Lab: 5 hours)	 or changing grid ratio o. calculating technique changes required for changes in the speed of the image receptor system p. developing a technique chart for personal use during internship q. performing State required experiments to illustrate effects of kVp, mA, SID, heel effect, and scattered radiation on image quality 	

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M. CLINICAL EXPERIENCE Understand, apply, and evaluate basic clinical and radiographic procedures in a health care facility.	 Describe and demonstrate the following: milliampere (mA) source to image distance (SID) knowledge of selected medical and radiological terminology; the effects of and regulations for radiation exposure understanding of the parts, appropriate use, and care of the radiographic machine; the principles involved in the function of the radiographic machine professional and ethical standards for safe practice as an x-ray technician occupational safety standards, including usage of effective body mechanics and avoidance of physical hazards effective hand washing techniques effective patient transfer and ambulation techniques accurate interpretation of radiographic calculations and exposure conditions affecting the quality of radiographs steps necessary to develop radiologic terminology when documenting on a patient's chart obtaining radial pulse, counting respirations, obtaining temperature and blood pressure documenting wital signs on patient records according to clinics' policy evaluating the diagnostic and radiographic quality of radiographs, making modifications as needed combining basic clinical procedures skills and radiographic skills in a health care facility Describe and demonstrate the following: arry angulation scloporosis in cast with orthopedic aids crutch/cane walker sing/immobilizer botim radiation protection for the patient, clinical personnel, and self attentiveness to the factors that affect radiographic quality effective and accurate centra	Career Ready Practice: 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 CTE Anchor: Communications: 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 6.8, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5 CTE Pathway: B3.1, B3.2, B4.1, B4.2, B4.3, B4.4, B4.5, B5.1, B5.2, B5.3, B54, B5.5, B5.6, B5.7, B6.1, B6.2, B6.3, B6.4, B6.5, B6.6, B7.1, B7.2, B7.3, B7.4, B8.2, B8.3, B8.5, B12.1, B12.2, B12.3, B12.4

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(Clinical: 200 hours)	 4. Describe and demonstrate the following: a. proper imaging procedures under the appropriate level of supervision b. completion of all State required radiographic exam totals (actual patient exams) within the mandated time period of 12 consecutive months: i. 100 extremity exams ii. 200 torso skeleton exams 	

SUGGESTED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS and OTHER RESOURCES

TEXTBOOKS

Bontrager, Kenneth L. and John Lampignano. <u>Textbook of Radiographic Positioning and Related Anatomy</u>, 7th <u>Edition</u>. Elsevier Health Science, 2009.

Bushong, Stewart C. <u>Radiologic Science for Technologists: Physics, Biology, and Protection, 9th Edition</u>. Elsevier Health Sciences, 2008.

Campeau, Frances E. and Jeana Fleitz. <u>Limited Radiography</u>, 2nd Edition. Cengage Learning, 1999.

Carlton, Richard R. and Arlene M. Adler. <u>Principles of Radiographic Imagining: An Art and a Science, 4th Edition</u>. Cengage Learning, 2005.

Durand, Kathryn S. Critical Thinking: Developing Skills in Radiography. F.A. Davis Company, 1999.

Edge, Raymond S. and John R. Groves. <u>The Ethics of Health Care: A Guide for Clinical Practice</u>, 3rd Edition. Cengage Learning, 2005.

Forshier, Steve. Essentials of Radiation, Biology and Protection, 2nd Edition. Cengage Learning, 2008.

Gurley, Laverne T. and William J. Callaway. <u>Introduction to Radiologic Technology</u>, 6th Edition. Elsevier Health Science, 2006.

Kowalczyk, Nina and Kathleen Donnett. Integrated Patient Care For the Imaging Professional. Elsevier Health Sciences, 1996.

Statkiewicz-Sherer, Mary Alice, E. Russell Ritenour, and Paula j. Visconti. <u>Radiation Protection in Medical</u> <u>Radiography, 6th Edition</u>. Elsevier Health Sciences, 2010.

Thibodeau, Gary A. and Kevin T. Patton. <u>Structure and Function of the Body</u>, 13th Edition. Elsevier Health Sciences, 2007.

ASRT Scanner. Monthly News Magazine of American Society of Radiologic Technologists.

RESOURCES

Teacher prepared slides, films, transparencies, and instructional packages.

Employer Advisory Board members

Foundation Standards http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/sf/documents/ctestandards.pdf http://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/documents/ctestandards.doc

American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT), 1255 Northland Dr., St. Paul, MN 55120-1155. Phone: (651) 687-0048.

American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT), 15000 Central Ave. SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123-3917. Phone: (800) 444-2778. Fax: (505) 298-5063.

Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT), 20 N. Wacker Dr., Suite 900, Chicago, IL 60606-2901. Phone: (312) 704-5300. Fax: (312) 704-5304.

COMPETENCY CHECKLIST

TEACHING STRATEGIES and EVALUATION

METHODS AND PROCEDURES

- A. Teacher and student guided:
 - 1. Lecture
 - 2. Discussion
 - 3. Role play
 - 4. Problem-solving
 - 5. Demonstration/practice/return demonstration
 - 6. Home assignment, patient case studies
- B. Field trips
- C. Multi-sensory presentations
 - 1. Films, videos
 - 2. PowerPoint presentations
 - 3. Mock-ups
 - 4. Audio-visuals, CD-ROMs
 - 5. Radiographs
- D. Clinical activities

EVALUATION

SECTION A – Orientation and General Safety Principles – Pass the safety test with a score of 100%.

SECTION B – Communication Skills – Pass all assignments and exams on communication skills with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION C – Critical Thinking Skills – Pass all assignments and exams on critical thinking skills with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION D – Resource Management – Pass all assignments and exams on resource management with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION E – Medical Ethics – Pass all assignments and exams on medical ethics with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION F – Medical Terminology – Pass all assignments and exams on medical terminology with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION G – Anatomy and Physiology I – Pass all assignments and exams on anatomy and physiology I with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION H – Film Critique I – Pass all assignments and exams on film critique I with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION I – Image Receptor System – Pass all assignments and exams on image receptor system with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION J – Radiographic Positioning I – Pass all assignments and exams on radiographic positioning I with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION K – Clinical Assistant Procedures I– Pass all assignments and exams on clinical assistant procedures I with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION L – Principles of Exposure and Image Quality I – Pass all assignments and exams on principles of exposure and image quality I with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

SECTION M – Clinical Experience – Pass all assignments and exams on clinical experience with a minimum score of 80% or higher.

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